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In re Application of.:

Iris PECKER

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ERYTHROPOIETIN HAVING A
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## ELECTION

Sir:

This is in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Restriction Office Action mailed September 21, 2006, which response is being made on or before October 21, 2006, and for which no extension of time fee is due.

Applicants hereby elect **Group I, namely Claims 1-13**, drawn to a chimeric polynucleotide, promoter and host cell.

Applicants reserve the right to file, at a later date, additional divisional applications claiming priority from the present application which are directed to the non-elected Group.

Respectfully submitted,

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